IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kazuhiro Ohsuye et al.

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Examiner: Elizabeth Slobodyansky, Ph.D.

Title: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PEPTIDES USING A HELPER PEPTIDE

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 18, 2008, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments. Applicants attach hereto a Petition for a three month extension of time, extending the period of response until July 18, 2008.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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